



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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Mr. John A. Hammargren
Mr. Carl E. Moore

MINUTES OF THE **SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS** **REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING** **MARCH 12, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Montaña called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Chair Montaña led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

ATTENDANCE

Present

Chair Eleanor R. Montaña
Vice Chair Helen H. Stathatos
Frank Bacio
Rita Hall
John A. Hammargren
Carl E. Moore

Excused Absence

Vito Cannella

Staff

Janice A. Davis, Commission Services Staff
Garen Khachian, Commission Services Staff
Andrew Sevrin, Commission Services Staff

Commissioner Hammargren joined the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 5, 2008 MEETING MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Hammargren, seconded by Commissioner Bacio, and unanimously carried, the minutes of March 5, 2008 were approved, with the following changes:

- On page 4, under “New Business/Announcements”, Poetic Justice, “a program which casts”, add “*a very successful program which casts*”...

CHAIR’S REPORT

There was none.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Commissioner Bacio reported the current balance of the Commission’s Charitable Fund is \$1,118.23.

STAFF REPORT

Ms. Janice Davis, Staff, Commission Services reported on the following article:

- “Three Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Stations Ranks Among Best Worldwide” on Supervisor Knabe’s website, listed San Dimas, Lakewood, and Lancaster as the top three Los Angeles County police stations, out of 800 police stations worldwide selected by the Altus Global Alliance.

CORRESPONDENCE

An invitation was received from the Gang Alternative Program (GAP) “Experience the Culture” event at The Carson Community Center on March 22, 2008.

Commissioner Hall joined the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

FACILITY/GROUP HOME INSPECTION REPORTS FROM MARCH 5 TO MARCH 11, 2008

Zenith Group Home (Verbal) – 64, #1 – Commissioners Bacio, Hall and Moore

The facility was visited on March 6, 2008, and no one was home.

Bourne Inc. Group Home – 4, #3 – Commissioner Stathatos

The facility was visited on March 7, 2008, and no one was home.

Alhambra Courthouse – Commissioner Stathatos

The facility was visited on March 10, 2008, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

B & I Group Home – 4, #2 – Commissioners Hammargren and Montañó

The facility was visited on March 10, 2008, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

San Gabriel Children’s Center – 53, #3 - Commissioners Hammargren and Montañó

The facility was visited on March 11, 2008, and found to be in fair condition.

Areas of Concern: Sink is leaking; food storage needs cleaning; food supply is very low; rooms were messy and smelled bad; mold growing under sink; septic systems need to be repaired; three ditches in backyard are covered with planks creating a possible safety hazard.

Youth Beacon, Inc. (Verbal) – 63, #3 - Commissioners Bacio and Hall

The facility was visited on March 11, 2008, and no one was home.

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Send e-mail to DCFS regarding youth at Ha're John's Paradise Group Home who has been soliciting money in front of a market near the Group Home.
- Request information regarding 20 major projects in the works from the Sheriff's Department.

MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (To be presented and placed on a future agenda)

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Montaña adjourned the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice A. Davis
Commission Services Division